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In re Application of :  
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This is in response to the Petition under 37 CFR 1.59, filed June 10, 2003, to expunge proprietary material submitted by applicants.

Applicant states that on October 21, 2002, an Information Disclosure Statement was submitted consisting of a large number of documents which included several letters and/or slide presentations considered to be of a proprietary or confidential nature. Applicants request return of the proprietary documents as they are not prior art or relevant to the prosecution of the application. The examiner has reviewed the documents and found them not to be relevant to the patentability of the application.

Applicants should carefully review prior art statement submissions for such confidential material prior to submission. The items listed are clearly confidential material and are returned herewith except for the penultimate item which could not be located.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, PO BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at (703)308-3824 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 308-7230

  
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